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Honorable Richard M. Berman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

> Rei United States v. Aafia Siddiqui 08 Cr. 826 (RMB)

Dear Judge Berman:

The Government writes to inform Your Honor that the parties have met and discussed the issues raised during the September 4, 2008 conference. After meeting, both parties request that they be given an additional week to make submissions to Your Honor. Among other things, the parties today received additional medical records of the defendant that need to be reviewed. Accordingly, the parties request that the defendant's submission be due on September 19, 2008, and that the Government's response be due on September 24, 2008. In addition, the parties request that the conference scheduled for September 22, 2008 be moved until September 29, 2008, or at any other time that is convenient for Your Honor.

The Government also requests that time be excluded from September 22, 2008 until the next conference date that Your Honor sets. The Government submits this exclusion is appropriate for all of the reasons cited by Your Honor at the September 4, 2008 conference,

time to continue gathering discovery.

including that the ends of justice served by taking the action outwerght the public's and the defendant's interest in a speedy trial because this exclusion will allow the parties additional time to address medical issues relating to the defendant, and will allow the Government additional

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I have spoken with Elizabeth Fink, Esq., counsel for the defendant, who consents to the Government's request to exclude time.

Respectfully submitted,

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